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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Arild VIK Confirmation No: 7002  
Appl. No. : 09/787,902  
Filed : July 20, 2001  
Title : PRODUCTION OF HYDROGEN AND CARBON WITH A  
CARBON BLACK CATALYST

TC/A.U. : 1754  
Examiner : S. Hendrickson

Docket No.: : ARIL3991/REF  
Customer No: : 23364

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants request that the period for response to the outstanding official action in this case be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136 (a) for ONE (1) month to December 1, 2004.

The fee set in 37 CFR 1.17(a)(1) for a one month extension of time is \$110.00 and a check in this amount is submitted herewith. Please charge any additional fee required for this extension to Deposit Account No. 02-0200. A duplicate copy of this paper is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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